## TOWN OF HERNDON

Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community



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## "HERNDON IN BLOOM" FREE WORKSHOPS KICK OFF WITH SESSIONS ON HOMEOWNER ENERGY EFFICIENCY, FORECLOSURE AND SPRING MAINTENANCE

Herndon, VA (March 31, 2008) – A series of free workshops will be held throughout April and May as part of the Town-wide "Herndon in Bloom" initiative promoting home and neighborhood upkeep. Details on seminars scheduled for next week follow; for more information, call 703/435-3182 or visit <a href="www.herndon-va.gov">www.herndon-va.gov</a> and click on the "Herndon in Bloom" logo.

## Thursday, April 10, 7-9pm

"Siding, Roofing and Windows – Making Your Home More Energy Efficient" Four Seasons Club House, 1201 Herndon Parkway

Dryhome Roofing And Siding will present this informative workshop offering practical ways to increase the energy efficiency of your home. Attendees will receive a 10 percent discount on projects.

Saturday, April 12, 9am – 1pm

Foreclosures: How They Affect Your Community and Property Values, and What You Can Do"

Herndon Town Council Chambers, 765 Lynn Street

Sponsored by the Herndon Community Association Coalition and featuring attorney William A. Marr, Jr., this workshops explores foreclosures and what homeowners can do to mitigate the

impact of vacant properties in their neighborhoods. Topics addressed include: what homeowners can do if they are experiencing mortgage problems; recovering HOA dues from foreclosed or bank-owned properties; how to protect neighborhood security surrounding vacant properties; and who to contact at the Town of Herndon regarding vacant properties. The seminar is open to all homeowners, including but not limited to those represented by HOAs.

Tuesday, April 15, 7pm – 9pm Spring Home Maintenance Seminar Neighborhood Resource Center, 1086 Elden Street

Sponsored by the Fairfax County Department of Housing & Community Development and the Town of Herndon, this workshop provides an overview of effective preventative maintenance and small repair techniques that help homeowners avoid component failure and the costly repairs that follow.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named Herndon one of the nation's "Best Affordable Suburbs."

For more information, visit the Town's website at www.herndon-va.gov.

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